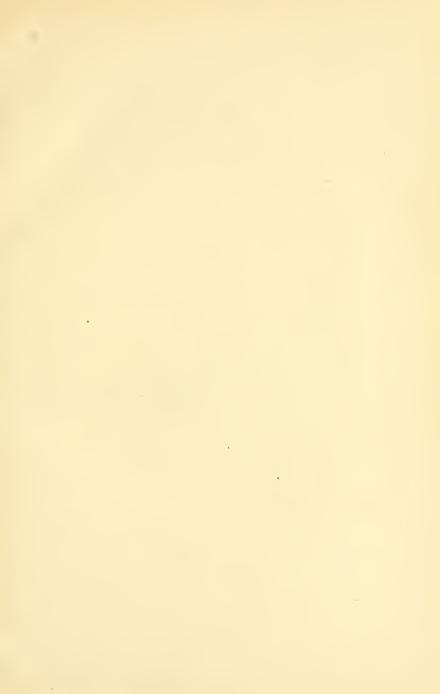
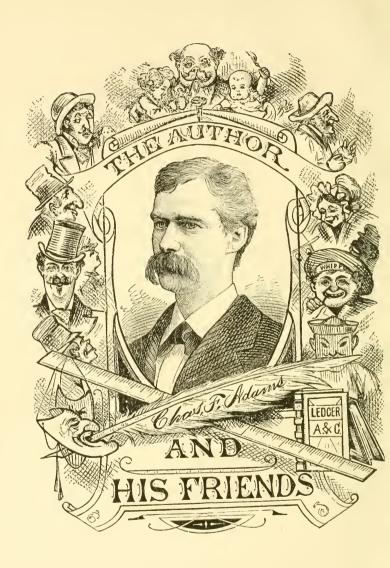
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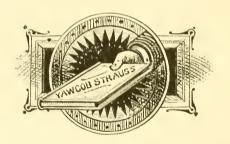
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"I somedimes dink I schall go vild Mit sooch a grazy poy." — PAGE 15.





I har von funny leedle poy,

Vot gomes schust to mine knee;

Der queerest schap, der createst rogue,

As efer you dit see.

He runs, und schumps, und schmashes dings In all barts off der house:

But vot off dot? he vas mine son, Mine leedle Yawcob Strauss.

He get der measles und der mumbs,
Und eferyding dot's oudt;
He sbills mine glass off lager bier,
Poots schnuff indo mine kraut.



He fills mine pipe mit Limburg cheese,—
Dot vas der roughest chouse:
I'd dake dot vrom no oder poy
But leedle Yawcob Strauss.

He dakes der milk-ban for a dhrum,

Und cuts mine cane in dwo,

To make der schticks to beat it mit,—

Mine cracious, dot vas drue!



I dinks mine hed vas schplit abart,
He kicks oup sooch a touse:
But nefer mind; der poys vas few
Like dot young Yawcob Strauss.

He asks me questions sooch as dese:Who baints mine nose so red?Who vas it cuts dot schmoodth blace oudtVrom der hair ubon mine hed?



Und vhere der plaze goes vrom der lamp Vene'er der glim I douse.

How gan I all dose dings eggsblain To dot schmall Yawcob Strauss?

I somedimes dink I schall go vild

Mit sooch a grazy poy,

Und vish vonce more I gould haf rest,

Und beaceful dimes enshoy;

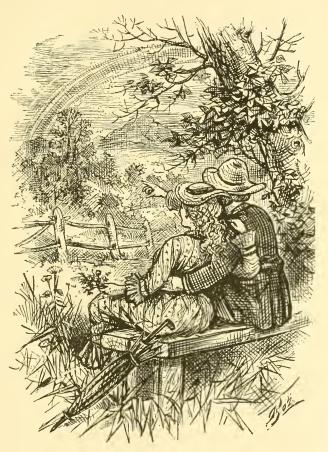


But ven he vas ashleep in ped,
So guiet as a mouse,
I prays der Lord, "Dake anyding,
But leaf dot Yawcob Strauss."

### A HIGHLY-COLORED ROMANCE.

Ben Green was a New-Hampshire boy,
Who stood full six feet two:
A jovial chap this same Ben Green,
Though he had oft been blue.

He loved a girl named Olive Brown,
Who lived near Bixby's pond,
And who, despite her brunette name,
Was a decided blonde.



"A highly-colored romance."



#### A HIGHLY-COLORED ROMANCE,

A pink of rare perfection she,

The belle of all the town;

Though Ben oft wished her Olive Green,

Instead of Olive Brown.

And she loved Ben, and said that nought
Should mar their joy serene;
And, when she changed from Olive Brown,
"Twould surely be to Green.

She kept her word in-violet,

And vowed, ere she was wed,

Although when Brown she had Be(e)n Green,

When Green she'd be well read.

But, ah! her young affections changed
To Gray, a Southern fellow;
And Green turned white the news to hear,
Though first it made him yell, oh!

#### A HIGHLY-COLORED ROMANCE.

Says he, "How can you lilac this,
When you vowed to be true?
I'll take your fine young lover, Gray,
And beat him till he's blue."

Then Olive Brown to crimson turned,
And said, "Do as you say:
The country long has wished to see
'The Blue combined with Gray."

Ben Green to purple turned with rage,
And black his brow as night;
While on the cheek of Olive Brown
The crimson changed to white.

"O cruel Olive Brown!" says Ben,
"I've been dun-brown by you:
Let this 'Grayback' his steps retrace,
And take Greenback,—oh, do!"

#### A HIGHLY-COLORED ROMANCE.

Poor Olive Brown, what could she say,

To sea-Green look so sad?

And so she rose, and said to him,

"I'll go and ask my dad."

The years rolled by: Ben's raven locks
For silver did not lack;
And Olive, with her hair of gold,
Was glad she took Greenback.



# TO BARY JADE.

The bood is beabig brighdly, love;
The sdars are shidig too;
While I ab gazig dreabily,
Add thigkig, love, of you.
You caddot, oh! you caddot kdow,
By darlig, how I biss you—
(Oh, whadt a fearful cold I've got!—
Ck-tish-u! Ck-ck-tish-u!)

I'b sittig id the arbor, love,
Where you sat by by side,
Whed od that calb, autubdal dight
You said you'd be by bride.



"Ho-rash-o!—there it is agaid,— Ck-thrash-ub! Ck-ck-tish-u!"—PAGE 26.



#### TO BARY JADE.

Oh! for wud bobedt to caress

Add tederly to kiss you;

Budt do! we're beddy biles apart —

(Ho-rash-o! Ck-ck-tish-u!)

This charbig evedig brigs to bide

The tibe whed first we bet:

It seebs budt odly yesterday;

I thigk I see you yet.

Oh! tell me, ab I sdill your owd?

By hopes—oh, do dot dash theb!

(Codfoud by cold, 'tis gettig worse—

Ck-tish-u! Ck-ck-thrash-eb!)

Good-by, by darlig Bary Jade!

The bid-dight hour is dear;

Add it is hardly wise, by love,

For be to ligger here.

#### TO BARY JADE.

The heavy dews are fallig fast:

A fod good-dight I wish you.

(Ho-rash-o! — there it is agaid —

Ck-thrash-ub! Ck-ck-tish-u!)





# THE PUZZLED DUTCHMAN.

I'm a proken-hearted Deutscher,
Vot's villed mit crief und shame.
I dells you vot der drouple ish:
I doosn't know my name.

#### THE PUZZLED DUTCHMAN.

You dinks dis fery vunny, eh?

Ven you der schtory hear,

You vill not vonder den so mooch,

It vas so schtrange und queer.

Mine moder had dwo leedle twins;

Dey vas me und mine broder:

Ve lookt so fery mooch alike,

No von knew vich vrom toder.

Von off der poys vas "Yawcob,"
Und "Hans" der oder's name:
But den it made no tifferent;
Ve both got called der same.

Vell! von off us got tead,—Yaw, Mynheer, dot ish so!But vedder Hans or Yawcob,Mine moder she don'd know.

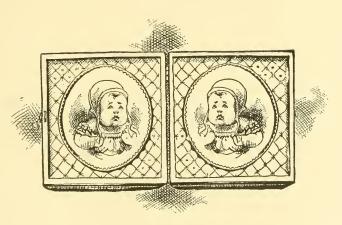
### THE PUZZLED DUTCHMAN.

Und so I am in drouples:

I gan't kit droo mine hed

Vedder I'm Hans vot's lifing,

Or Yawcob vot is tead!





## L-E-G ON A MULE.

Did you hear of the accident, just t'other day, That occurred to a youth of the Y. M. C. A.?

One morning, while walking out with his friend Neff, —

M. W. G. M. of the I. O. O. F.,—

#### L-E-G ON A MULE.

His friend exclaimed suddenly, "Look there, I say!

There's a chance for the S. F. P. O. C. T. A.!"

A "broth of a boy," who was just from a spree, Was cruelly beating his m-u-l-e.

Our hero stepped up to expostulate, when The mule kicked his a-b-d-o-m-e-n.

This doubled him up with a half-muttered phrase, As foot No. 2 knocked him e-n-d-ways.

They bore him home gently, as gently could be, And gave him a pint of hot l-oo-t.

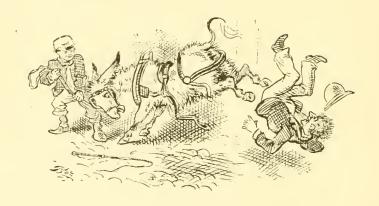
A voltaic plaster they placed, sans delay, Where that treacherous mule left his m-a-r-k.

#### L-E-G ON A MULE.

A hip dislocated; a general jar; Striking proofs of "one-mule p-o-w-e-r."

When the patient first spoke, what d'ye s'pose he did say,—
This model young man of the Y. M. C. A.!

Says he, "I'll be b-l-o-w-e-d If ever I'll plead for a m-u-l-e!"





# ECONOMY.

"There's nothing like economy,"

I heard a chap remark,
Who, judging by his tout ensemble,
Had issued from the ark.

#### ECONOMY.

He was a most peculiar man,
With visage wan and thin,
And liquid drops of amber hue
A-trickling down his chin.

"They tell us it's extravagant,"

He added with a shrug,

As he deposited a quid

"Within his spacious "mug,"—

"They tell us it's extravagant,
This 'chewing of the weed;'
But only use 'economy,'
You'll never be in need.

"And this is how to practise it:

Chew your tobacco well,

Using a little at a time,—

It nat'rally will swell;

#### ECONOMY.

- "Then take the quid and dry it, sir!"—
  "Twas thus the fellow spoke,—
- "And, when you want a quiet whiff, Put in your pipe, and smoke.
- "And, stranger, after doing this,
  If you are fond of snuff,
  The ashes that are left behind
  Will serve you well enough.
- "And thus," said this peculiar man
  (I fear he did but joke,)
- "If you will follow my advice,
  It will not end in *smoke*."



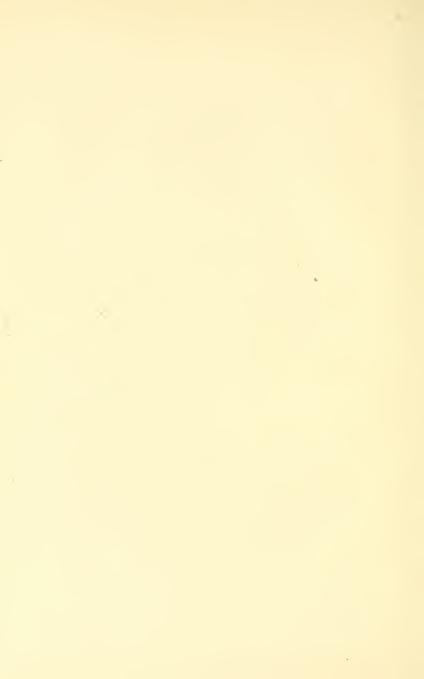
### PAT'S CRITICISM.

There's a story that's old,
But good if twice told,
Of a doctor of limited skill,
Who cured beast and man
On the "cold-water plan,"
Without the small help of a pill.

On his portal of pine
Hung an elegant sign,
Depicting a beautiful rill,



"Pat, how is that for a sign?" — Page 39.



#### PAT'S CRITICISM.

And a lake where a sprite,
With apparent delight,
Was sporting in sweet dishabille.

Pat McCarty one day,

As he sauntered that way,

Stood and gazed at that portal of pine;

When the doctor with pride

Stepped up to his side,

Saying, "Pat, how is that for a sign?"

"There's wan thing," says Pat,
"Ye've lift out o' that,
Which, be jabers! is quoite a mistake:
It's trim, and it's nate;
But, to make it complate,
Ye shud have a foine burd on the lake."

#### PAT'S CRITICISM.

"Ah! indeed! pray, then, tell,
To make it look well,
What bird do you think it may lack?"
Says Pat, "Of the same
I've forgotten the name,
But the song that he sings is 'Quack! quack!'"



On! a terrible glutton was "Ravenous Bill,"
Mate of the good ship "Whippoorwill;"
And seldom it was he could get his fill;
A fact he oft would mention.

And many a time, when eating his beef,
Would the captain tell him to "take a reef;"
But to such requests he ever was "deaf,"
This being a bone of contention.

He cheated the sailors out of their prog,

Nor left e'en a scrap for the captain's dog:

He was such a gourmand and terrible "hog,"

That he'd "eat you out of your house."



He thought no more of a leg of ham,

A peck of potatoes, and shoulder of lamb,

With all the "fixin's," — wine, jellies, and jam,—

Than a cat would think of a mouse.

At length, on distant Southern sands

The vessel was stranded; and all the hands

Were captured by some of the savage bands

Who lived on that foreign coast.



Poor Bill was taken among the rest,

And became at once a cannibal's guest;
(No pleasant position, it must be confessed,

To wake up some morning already "dressed"

For a native's "fancy roast.")

For want of rations Bill had grown thin,—
Nothing, in fact, but bones and skin;
And his heathen master (as ugly as sin,
To find he'd so badly been "taken in")

Devised a horrible plan.



To wit: a bamboo cage he'd make,
And put in Bill, with a monstrous snake
Called the anaconda, that could easily "take"
Most any "reasonable" man.

At last 'twas finished, — the cage was done;
The snake was captured, — a monstrous one:
The natives assembled to see the "fun,"
And "settle their Bill," they said, as a pun,
Referring to the "collation."



Our hero was thrust into the cage
Where the snake was coiling itself with rage,
Eager and waiting its prey to engage,

An engaging occupation.

As Bill and the snake met face to face,
He was folded at once in its close embrace;
And the natives, thinking he'd "ran his race,"
Began on his fate to ponder;



When — what d'ye suppose first met their eyes! As the dust from the scene did slowly rise,
They found that Bill, to their great surprise,

Had — SWALLOWED THE ANACONDA!

# SHONNY SCHWARTZ.

Har you seen mine leedle Shonny,—
Shonny Schwartz,—
Mit his hair so soft und yellow,
Und his face so blump und mellow;
Sooch a funny leedle fellow,—
Shonny Schwartz?

Efry mornings dot young Shonny—
Sl.Jnny Schwartz—
Rises mit der preak off day,
Und does his chores oup righdt avay;
For he gan vork so vell as blay,—
Shonny Schwartz.

#### SHONNY SCHWARTZ.

Mine Katrina says to Shonny,

"Shonny Schwartz,

Helb your barents all you gan,

For dis life vas bud a shban:

Py und py you'll been a man,

Shonny Schwartz."

How I lofes to see dot Shonny —
Shonny Schwartz —
Vhen he schgampers off to schgool,
Vhere he alvays minds der rule!
For he vas nopody's fool, —
Shonny Schwartz.

How I vish dot leedle Shonny —
Shonny Schwartz —
Could remain von leedle poy,

#### SHONNY SCHWARTZ.

Alvays full off life und shoy,
Und dot Time vould not annoy
Shonny Schwartz!

Nefer mindt, mine leedle Shonny,—
Shonny Schwartz;

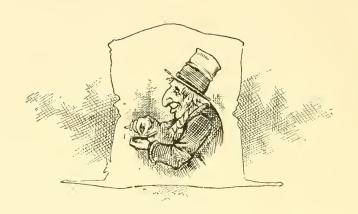
Efry day prings someding new:

Alvays keep der righdt in view,

Und baddle, den, your own canoe,

Shonny Schwartz.

Keep her in der channel, Shonny,—
Shonny Schwartz:
Life's voyich vill pe quickly o'er;
Und den ubon dot bedder shore
Ve'll meet again, to bart no more,
Shonny Schwartz.



## A TALE OF A NOSE.

Twas a hard case, that which happened in Lynn. Haven't heard of it, ch? Well then, to begin, There's a Jew down there whom they call "Old Mose,"

Who travels about, and buys old clothes.

#### A TALE OF A NOSE.

Now Mose — which the same is short for Moses — Had one of the biggest kind of noses:

It had a sort of an instep in it,

And he fed it with snuff about once a minute.

One day he got in a bit of a row
With a German chap who had kissed his frau,
And, trying to punch him à la Mace,
Had his nose cut off close up to his face.

He picked it up from off the ground,
And quickly back in its place 'twas bound,
Keeping the bandage upon his face
Until it had fairly healed in place.

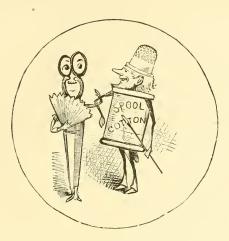
Alas for Mose! 'Twas a sad mistake Which he in his haste that day did make; For, to add still more to his bitter cup, He found he had placed it wrong side up.

#### A TALE OF A NOSE.

"There's no great loss without some gain;"
And Moses says, in a jocular vein,
He arranged it so for taking snuff,
As he never before could get enough.

One thing, by the way, he forgets to add, Which makes the arrangement rather bad: Although he can take his snuff with ease. He has to stand on his head to sneeze!





## TO A DRESSMAKER.

Oh! wherefore bid me leave thy side,
Dear Polly! I would ask.

How can I all my feelings cloak
When in thy smiles I basque!

Nay, "Polly-nay," I cannot go!
Oh! do not stand aloof,
When of my warm affection
You possess, oh, wat-er-proof!

#### TO A DRESSMAKER.

Why will you thus my feelings gore
By sending me away?
You know it's wrong, of corset is,
Thus to forbid my stay.
It seams as though some fell disease
Was gnawing at my heart,
And hem-orrhage would soon ensue
If we, perchance, should part.

Then waist the precious time no more,
But let the parson tie us
Sew firmly that the marriage-knot
Shall never be cut bias.
In peaceful quietude we'll float
On life's unruffled tide,
Nor let the bustle of the world
"Pull-back" as on we glide.

In a little country village,

Not many years ago,

There lived a real "live Yankee,"

Whom they called "Old Uncle Snow."

In trade he had no equal;

And storekeepers would say,

"We're always 'out of pocket'

When Snow comes round this way."

"Twas the custom of the villagers —
Few of them being rich —
To trade their surplus "garden-sass"
For groceries and "sich."

One store supplied the village
With goods of every kind,
Including wines and liquors
For those that way inclined.

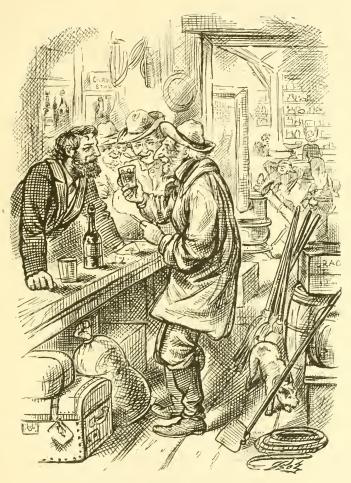
A counter in the "sample-room"

Was fixed up very neat;

And after every "barter-trade"

The storekeeper would "treat."

Old Snow brought in, one morning,
An egg fresh from the barn,
And said, "Give me a needle:
My woman wants to darn."



"Give me another needle, 'Squire;
This egg's the same as two!" — PAGE 60.



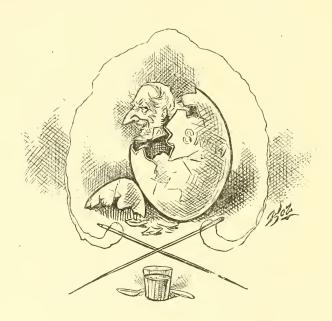
- The trade was made: the storekeeper Asked him to take a drink.
  "I'll humor him," he said, aside,
  As the lookers-on did wink.
- "Don't care, naow, ef I do," says Snow;
  "And, as your goin' to treat,

  Just put a leetle sugar in,—

  I like my liquor sweet.
- "And, say, while you're about it,—
  Though I don't like to beg,—
  "Twill taste a leetle better
  If you drop in an egg."
- "All right, friend," says the grocer,
  Now being fairly "caught,"
  And dropped into the tumbler
  The egg that Snow had brought!

The egg contained a double yolk.

Says Snow, "Here, this won't do:
Give me another needle, 'Squire;
This egg's the same as two!"



## LOGIC.

'Tis strange, but true, that a common cat Has got ten tails, — just think of that!

Don't see it, eh? The fact is plain: To prove it so I rise t'explain.

We say a cat has but one tail: Behold how logic lifts the veil!

No cat has nine tails: don't you see One cat has one tail more than she?

#### LOGIC.

Now add the one tail to the nine, You'll find a full ten-tailed feline.

. . . . . . .

As Holmes has said, in his "One-Horse Shay," Logic is logic; that's all I say.





Who puts oup at der pest hotel,
Und dakes his oysders on der schell,
Und mit der frauleins cuts a schwell?

Der drummer.

Who vas it gomes indo mine schtore,
Drows down his pundles on der vloor,
Und nefer schtops to shut der door?

Der drummer.



Who dakes me py der handt, und say, "Hans Pfeiffer, how you vas to-day?"
Und goes for peesness righdt avay?

Der drummer.

Who shpreads his zamples in a trice,
Und dells me, "Look, und see how nice"?
Und says I gets "der bottom price"?

Der drummer.



Who dells how sheap der goots vas bought,
Mooch less as vot I gould imbort,
But lets dem go as he vas "short"?

Der drummer.

Who says der tings vaş eggstra vine,—
"Vrom Sharmany, ubon der Rhine,"—
Und sheats me den dimes oudt off nine?

Der drummer.



Who varrants all der goots to suit

Der gustomers ubon his route,

Und ven dey gomes dey vas no goot?

Der drummer.

Who gomes aroundt ven I been oudt,
Drinks oup mine bier, and eats mine kraut,
Und kiss Katrina in der mout'?

Der drummer.



Who, ven he gomes again dis vay, Vill hear vot Pfeiffer has to say, Und mit a plack eye goes avay? Der drummer.



## REPARTEE.

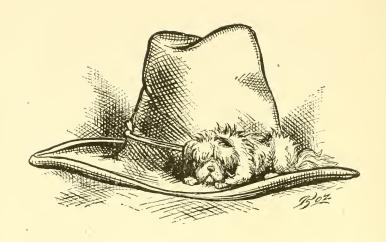
One Mr. B——,
A joker he,
While in a jovial mood,
Tried to explain
To neighbor N——
A joke which he thought good.

### REPARTEE.

His hearer, Neff,
Was very deaf,
And couldn't catch the joke;
Whereat B—— smiled,
Though slightly "riled,"
And thus to him he spoke:—

"Tis plain to me
As A B C,
My dear friend, Mr. Neff!"
"Oh, yes! but then,"
Says Mr. N——,
"You know Im D E F!"





# FRITZ UND I.

Mynheer, blease helb a boor oldt man Vot gomes vrom Sharmany, Mit Fritz, mine tog, und only freund, To geep me gompany.

### FRITZ UND I.

I haf no geld to puy mine pread,No blace to lay me down;For ve vas vanderers, Fritz und I,Und sdrangers in der town.

Some beoples gife us dings to eadt,

Und some dey kicks us oudt,

Und say, "You don'd got peesnis here
To sdroll der schtreets aboudt!"

Vot's dot you say! — you puy mine tog
To gife me pread to eadt!
I vas so boor as nefer vas,
But I vas no "tead peat."

Vot, sell mine tog, mine leedle tog,
Dot vollows me aboudt,
Und vags his dail like anydings
Vene'er I dakes him oudt!

### FRITZ UND I.

Schust look at him, und see him schump!

He likes me pooty vell;

Und dere vas somedings 'bout dot tog,

Mynheer, I vouldn't sell.

"Der collar?" Nein: 'tvas someding else Vrom vich I gould not bart; Und, if dot ding vas dook avay, I dink it prakes mine heart.

"Vot vas it, den, aboudt dot tog,"
You ashk, "dot's not vor sale!"
I dells you vot it ish, mine freund:
"Tish der vag off dot tog's dail!"





"Schust look at him, und see him schump! He likes me pooty vell." — Page 72.



# INTEMPERANCE.

Of all the vices in our land
Which we have reason most to dread,
Intemperance, the country's curse,
In bold relief stands at the head.

In every sphere its steps we trace,—
In lowly cot and mansion tall:
Alike on young and old it preys,
Bringing its share of woe to all.

Men who could face the fiercest foe
Unmoved, midst battles' loudest roar,
Cannot the wine-cup's charm resist,
Nor boldly pass the dram-shop's door.

### INTEMPERANCE,

A mother's and a father's love

Cannot the drunkard's course control:

His every wish, his every thought,

Is centred in the flowing bowl.

Even the gentle, loving wife,

To whom he vowed eternal love,

And children, with their tearful prayers,

Fail his besotted heart to move.

Men of Columbia, are you slaves,
A galling yoke like this to wear!
King Alcohol hurl from his throne,
And place a wiser monarch there.

Then shall your loved ones' prayers be heard,
A country's blessing be your prize;
While He who sits enthroned above
Shall smile on you from out the skies.



"LITTLE TIM" was the name of him
Of whom I have to tell;
And he abode on the Western road,
In the busy town of L——.

As trains went down through the little town,
He peddled through the cars
His stock in trade, — iced lemonade,
Cake, peanuts, and cigars.

Conductor Dunn was the only one
Who'd not this trade allow;
And so 'twixt him and little Tim
There always was a row.

At last one day they had a fray;
And Timothy declared
He'd "fix old Dunn, 'as sure's a gun,'"
If both their lives were spared.

So off he went with this intent,

And sold his stock in trade:

His earnings hard he spent for lard,

And started for "the grade."

(This place, you know, is where trains go
Upon the steep hillside,
And where — with lard — it isn't hard
To get up quite a slide.)



He took a stick, and spread it thick, Remarking with a smile,

"There'll be some fun when Mr. Dunn Commences to 'strike ile'!"

He lay in wait: the train was late,
And came a-puffing hard,
With heavy load, right up the road
To where he'd spread the lard.

They tried in vain: that fated train

Could not ascend the grade:

The wheels would spin with horrid din;

Yet no advance was made.

Then little Tim — 'twas bold in him — Cried out in accents shrill, "Remember me, Conductor D., When you get up the hill!"

#### MORAL.

Success in trade is up a grade

That we should all ascend,

And with a will help up the hill

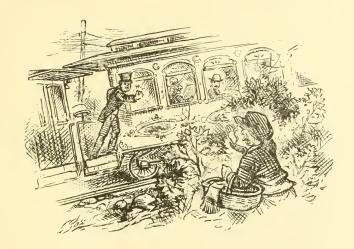
Our fellow-man and friend.

When "on the road," don't incommode

The seeker after pelf,

Or ten to one, like Mr. Dunn,

You'll not get up yourself.





Mine cracious! mine cracious! shust look here und see

A Deutscher so habby as habby can pe!

Der beoples all dink dot no prains I haf got;

Vas grazy mit trinking, or someding like dot:

Id vasn't pecause I trinks lager und vine;

Id vas all on aggount off dot baby off mine.



Dot schmall leedle vellow I dells you vas qveer; Not mooch pigger roundt as a goot glass off peer;

Mit a bare-footed hed, und nose but a schpeck;
A mout dot goes most to der pack off his neck;
Und his leedle pink toes mit der rest all
combine

To gif sooch a charm to dot baby off mine.



I dells you dot baby vas von off der poys,
Und beats leedle Yawcob for making a noise.
He shust has pecun to shbeak goot English
too;

Says "Mamma" und "Papa," und somedimes "Ah, goo!"

You don'd find a baby den dimes oudt off nine Dot vas qvite so schmart as dot baby off mine.



He grawls der vloor ofer, und drows dings aboudt,

Und poots eferyding he can find in his mout;

He dumbles der shtairs down, und falls vrom his chair,

Und gifes mine Katrina von derrible sckare.

Mine hair shtands like shquills on a mat borcubine Ven I dinks off dose pranks off dot baby off mine.



Dere vas someding, you pet, I don'd likes pooty vell,
To hear in der nighdt dimes dot young Deutscher
yell,

Und dravel der ped-room midout many clo'es,

Vhile der chills down der shpine off mine pack

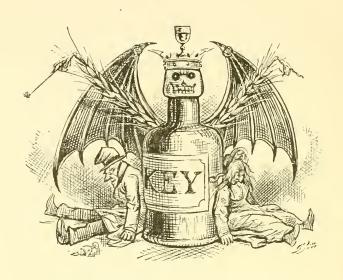
quickly goes:

Does leedle shimnasdic dricks vasn't so fine

Dot I cuts oup at night mit dot baby off mine.



Vell, dese leedle schafers vas going to pe men,
Und all off dese droubles vill peen ofer den:
Dey vill vear a vhite shirt-vront inshtead off a bib,
Und vouldn't got tucked oup at nighdt in deir crib.
Vell, vell, ven I'm feeble, und in life's decline,
May mine oldt age pe cheered py dot baby off
mine!



# JOHN BARLEY-CORN, MY FOE.

John Barley-Corn, my foe, John,
The song I have to sing
Is not in praise of you, John,
E'en though you are a king.

### JOHN BARLEY-CORN, MY FOE.

Your subjects they are legion, John,
I find where'er I go:
They wear your yoke upon their necks,
John Barley-Corn, my foe.

John Barley-Corn, my foe, John,
By your despotic sway
The people of our country, John,
Are suffering to-day.
You lay the lash upon their backs;
Yet willingly they go
And pay allegiance at the polls,
John Barley-Corn, my foe.

John Barley-Corn, my foe, John, You've broken many a heart, And caused the bitter tear, John, From many an eye to start,

### $JOHN\ BARLEY-CORN,\ MY\ FOE.$

The widow and the fatherless

From pleasant homes to go,

And lead a life of sin and shame,

John Barley-Corn, my foe.

John Barley-Corn, my fee, John,
May Heaven speed the hour,
When Temperance shall wear the crown
And Rum shall lose its power;
When from the East unto the West
The people all shall know
Their greatest curse has been removed,
John Barley-Corn, my fee!



# HANS AND FRITZ.

Hans and Fritz were two Deutschers who lived side by side,

Remote from the world, its deceit and its pride:

With their pretzels and beer the spare moments were spent,

And the fruits of their labor were peace and content.

Hans purchased a horse of a neighbor one day, And, lacking a part of the Geld,—as they say,—

### TIANS AND FRITZ.

Made a call upon Fritz to solicit a loan To help him to pay for his beautiful roan.

Fritz kindly consented the money to lend,
And gave the required amount to his friend;
Remarking,—his own simple language to quote,—
"Berhaps it vas bedder ye make us a note."

The note was drawn up in their primitive way,—
"I, Hans, gets from Fritz feefty tollars to-day;"
When the question arose, the note being made,
"Vich von holds dot baper until it vas baid?"

"You geeps dot," says Fritz, "und den you vill know

You owes me dot money." Says Hans, "Dot ish so:
Dot makes me remempers I haf dot to bay,
Und I prings you der note und der money some
day."



"When the question arose, the note being made,

<sup>&#</sup>x27;Vich von holds dot baper until it vas baid.' "- PAGE 92.



### HANS AND FRITZ.

A month had expired, when Hans, as agreed,
Paid back the amount, and from debt he was
freed.

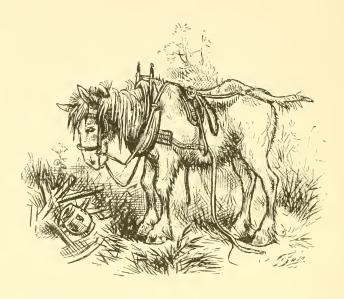
Says Fritz, "Now dot settles us." Hans replies, "Yaw:

Now who dakes dot baper accordings by law?"

"I geeps dot now, aind't it?" says Fritz; "den, you see,

I alvays remempers you baid dot to me."
Says Hans, "Dot ish so: it vas now shust so blain,
Dot I knows vot to do ven I porrows again."





Doubtless my readers all have heard
Of the "wonderful one-horse shay"
That "went to pieces all at once"
On the terrible earthquake-day.

But did they ever think of the horse,

Or mourn the loss of him,—

The "ewe-necked bay" (who drew the "shay"),

So full of life and vim?

He was a wonderful nag, I'm told,
In spite of his old "rat-tail;"
And, though he always minded the rein,
He laughed at the snow and hail.

He had the finest stable in town,
With plenty of oats and hay;
And to the parson's oft "Hud-dup"
He never would answer neigh.

To the parson's shay he was ever true,

Though her other felloes were tired:

To live and die with his fiancée

Was all that his heart desired.

He was much attached to his ancient mate;
So the parson "hitched them together;"
And, when they went on their bridle tour,
His heart was light as a feather.

We all remember her awful fate,
On that sad November day,
When nothing remained but a heap of trash,
That once was a beautiful shay.

Oh! what could *stir-up* the equine breast Like this fearful, harrowing blow,
Which put a *check* on his happiness,
And filled his heart with w(h)oa.

As he wheeled about, a shaft of pain Entered his faithful breast,

As he there beheld the sad remains

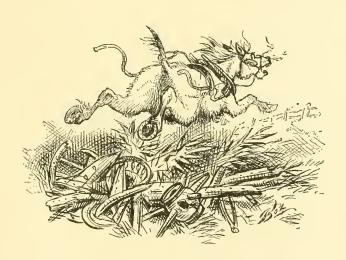
Of her whom he loved the best.

With a sudden bound and fearful snort,

He sped away like the wind;

And a fact most queer I'll mention here,

No traces were left behind.



## WOMAN.

WHAT is it makes a woman? A wealth of wavy hair, A brow of Parian whiteness, And eyes like diamonds rare?

Is it cheeks that shame the roses, And lips like cherries, red, With teeth of pearly beauty, As the poet oft hath said?

A tall and queenly creature, With a small and taper waist, A Juno or a Hebe, Who would a throne have graced?

### WOMAN.

My beau-ideal of woman

Is a different being far;

And, if my views you wish to hear,

I'll tell you what they are.

A heart that's warm and tender,A pure and holy mind;A gentle, modest, loving one,Who is to others kind.

The eye may lose its lustre,

The cheek its rosy glow,

The wavy hair no more be seen

O'er forehead white as snow.

But the pure and gentle spirit
Will e'er be fresh and bright:
"Tis this that makes the woman.
Kind reader, am I right?



## ZWEI LAGER.

DER night vas dark as anyding,

Ven at mine door two vellers ring,

Und say, ven I ask who vas dhere,

"Git oup und git" — und den dey schvear —

"Zwei lager."

### ZWEI LAGER.

I says, "'Tis late: schust leaf mine house,
Und don'd pe making sooch a towse!"
Dey only lauft me in der face,
Und say, "Pring oudt, 'Old Schweizerkase,'
Zwei lager."

I dold dem dot der bier vas oudt;
But dose two shaps set oup a shout,
Und said no matter if 'tvas late,
Dot dey moost haf "put on der schlate"
Zwei lager.

"Oh! go avay, dot is goot poys,"

Mine moder says, "und schtop der noise:"

But sdill dem vellers yellt avay;

Und dis vas all dot dey vould say,—

"Zwei lager."

### ZWEI LAGER.

"Vot makes you gome?" mine taughter said,
"Ven beoples all vas in deir ped:
Schust gome to-morrow ven you're dhry."
But dem two plackguards sdill did cry,
"Zwei lager."

"Vot means you by sooch dings as dese?
I go und calls for der boleese,"
Says Schneigelfritz, who lifs next door:
Dey only yellt more as pefore,
"Zwei lager."

"You schust holdt on a leedle vhile,"
Says mine Katrina mit a schmile:
"I vix dose shaps, you pet my life,
So dey don'd ask off Pfeiffer's vife
Zwei lager."

### ZWEI LAGER.

Den righdt avay she got a peese
Of goot und schtrong old Limburg cheese,
Und put it schust outside der door;
Und den ve didn't hear no more
"Zwei lager."





# A TOUGH CUSTOMER.

'Tis a story of a toper:

I knew him passing well,—

A shoemaker in Natick,

Which is oftentimes called—well—

Of course you've heard the story;

So I will not stop to tell.

### A TOUGH CUSTOMER.

He was the hardest drinker

For many miles around;

Though, as a waggish chap remarked,

"Hard drinker! I'll be bound

He drinks about as easy

As any man I've found!"

There chanced to be a "sample-room"

Close by his little shop,

In which, "just to be neighborly,"

He frequently would drop,

And "take a little something warm,"

From gin to gin-ger pop.

One day he went as usual;
And, finding no one in,
He spied upon the counter
What he supposed was gin,
And straightway took a "nipper"
From the bottle it was in.

### A TOUGH CUSTOMER.

Surveying, à la connoisseur,

The name the bottle bore,

He found 'twas aquafortis,

Which he had taken "raw,"—

"A brand," quoth he, "I ne'er did see,

And never drank before."

Just then his neighbor happened in;
And, tremulous with fear,
(The bottle told the story,)
He asked if he felt queer,
And if he'd have a doctor called,
As one was living near.

"I'm all right, I believe.

There's but one thing that's curious:

I really can't conceive

Why, when I wipe my mouth, it burns

A hole right through my sleeve!"

Mine cracious, vot a gountry,
Und vot a beoples too!

I feel so bad, already,
I don'd know vot to do.

I had von leedle poodle dog,
So handsome vot couldt been;
Und alvays, vheresoe'er I vent,
Dot poodle dog vas seen.

He youst to vollow me aroundt,
In schpite off rain und hail;
Und, oh, der comfort vot I dook
In der vag off dot dog's tail!

Von day I missed mine Schneider,
(Dot vas der poodle's name;)
Und, though I vistled all aroundt,
Dot poodle didn't came.

I looked about der sausage-shops,(Vhere dey cut some vunny capers,)Und dold dot he vas schtrayed or stoldtIn all der daily bapers.

I hunted eferywhere aroundt,—
Oup hill, und down der dale;
Und all der beoples lauft at me
To hear dot poodle's tale.



"He used him vashing vindows off:
Mine cracious, dot vas queer!"—Page 113.



Von morning early I vas oudt,

A valking oup der schtreet,

Ven righdt avay I seen a sight

Vot schtopped mine heart to beat.

Mine cracious! vot you dink it vas

Dot villed me mit surbrise?

"Tvas leedle Schneider vot vas losht,

Righdt dhere pefore mine eyes!

You know schust how id is myself
Ven somedings stardt you, — aindt id?
Vell, ven I saw dot poodle dog,
Py shings! I almost vainted!

A darky had him on a pole,

Mit pails off vater near.

He used him vashing vindows off:

Mine cracious, dot vas queer!

He dipped him righdt indo der pail,
Schust like he vas a rag:
Der life vas oudt off dot poodle dog;
Der tail had losht its vag!



### MISPLACED SYMPATHY.

LITTLE Benny sat one evening,

Looking o'er his picture-book:

Suddenly his mother noticed

On his face a troubled look.

He was gazing on a picture,—
"Christians in the early days,"
When the cruel tyrant Nero
Harassed them in various ways.

Twas a family of Christians,

Torn by lions fierce and wild,

In the horrible arena,

Which had thus distressed the child.

### MISPLACED SYMPATHY.

Thinking it a golden moment

To impress his youthful mind

With our freedom, dearly purchased,

And by martyrs' blood refined,

Of their persecutions sore,
While he listened, all attention,
And the picture pondered o'er.

"See, my child, those hungry lions,

How upon the group they fall!

Tis a sight, my precious darling,

That the bravest might appall."

Then, with little lip a-quiver,
"Mamma, look!" says little Benny:
"Little lion in the corner,
Mamma, isn't gettin' any!"



"Little lion in the corner,
Mamma, isn't gettin' any!"— Page 116.





I Don'd dink mooch off dose fine shaps
Vot lofe aboudt der schtreet,
Und nefer pays der landlady
For vot dey haf to eat;

Who gifes der tailor notings,
Und makes der laundress vait,
Und haf deir trinks off lager bier
All "put ubon der schlate."

I don'd dink mooch off vimmin, too,
Who dink it vas deir "schpeer"
To keep oup vine abbearances,
Und lif in "Grundy's" fear;
Who dress demselves mit vine array
To flirt ubon der schtreet,
Und leaf deir moders at der tub
To earn der bread dey eat.

I don'd like men dot feel so pigVen dey haf plenty geld,Who vas as Lucifer so broud,Und mit conceit vas schvelled.

Who dinks more off deir horse und dog
As off a man dot's poor,
Und lets der schtarving und der sick
Go hungry vrom der door.

I don'd dink mooch off dem dot holdt
So tight ubon a tollar.
Dot, if 'tvas only shust alife.
'Tvould make it shcream und holler.
Vy don'd dey keep it on der move,
Not hide avay und lock it!
Dey gannot take it ven dey die:
Der shroud don'd haf a pocket!

I like to see a hand dot's brown,Und not avraid off vork;Dot gifes to dose vot air in need,Und nefer tries to schirk:

A man dot meets you mit a schmile,
Und dakes you py der hand,
Shust\_like dey do vhere I vas born,
In mine own vaterland,—

Vhere bier-saloons don'd keep a schlate;

Vhere tailors get deir pay,

Und vashervimmin get der schtamps

For vork dey dake avay;

Vhere frauleins schtick righdt to der vork

So schteady as a glock,

Und not go schtrutting droo der schtreets

Shust like a durkey-cock;

Vhere blenty und brosperity

Schmile ubon efery hand:

Dot ist der Deutscher's paradise;

Das ist das Vaterland.

## THE WIDOW MALONE'S PIG.

The Widow Malone had a beautiful pig;

No one had its equal from Cork to Killarney:

And Paddy McCabe had his eye on the same;

A roguish chap he, full of mischief and blarney.

This beautiful pig fairly haunted his dreams;

And he swore, that, unless he was sadly mistaken,

He would feast off his ribs upon St. Patrick's Day,

And even the widow should not "save his bacon."

### THE WIDOW MALONE'S PIG.

One morning the widow went out to the pen,
Pail in hand, with the first streak of dawn,
When, lo! it was vacant; no piggy was there:
The sweet little creature was gone!

Straightway to the priest for assistance she went, Who asked her the cause of her grief.

"Och! your riverince," says she, "'tis me pig that is gone!

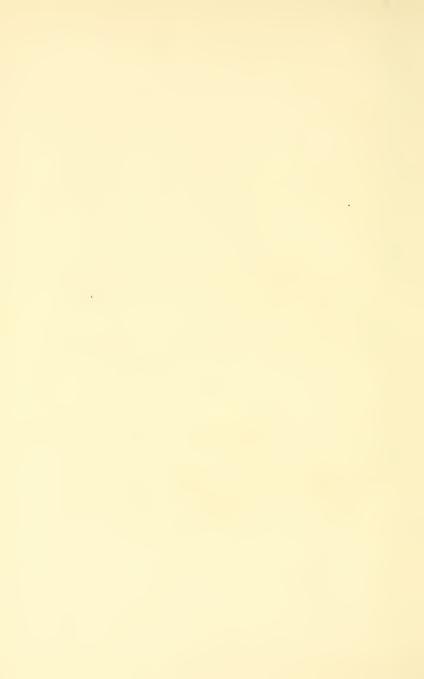
And I think Pat McCabe is the thief."

Soon after Pat came to the priest to "confess,
And told of his theft from the Widow Malone.
"Take it back," says the priest, "without any
delay!"

"Sure I've ate it, your riverince!" says Pat with a groan.



"The Widow Malone had a beautiful pig;
No one had its equal from Cork to Killarney." — Page 123.



### THE WIDOW MALONE'S PIG.

"Ah, Pat!" says the priest, "at the great 'judgment-day,'

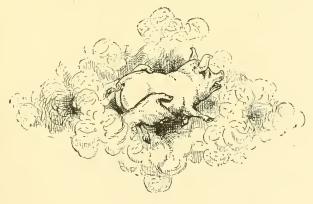
When you meet the widow and pig face to face,
What excuse will you give for your terrible sin?
I'm thinking you'll go to a very bad place."

"Will the widdy and pig both be there?" says Pat.

"To be sure," says the priest, "to accuse you of sin."

"Will, thin," replies Paddy, "I'll say, 'Here's your pig!

By St. Patrick, I'll niver molist him agin!"





- "Twas a moonlight night," the trapper began,
  As we lay by the bright camp-fire,—
- "Come, fill up your pipes, and pile on the brands,

  And gather a little nigher,—

- "Twas a moonlight night when Bet and I—Bet, she's the old mare, you know—
  Started for camp on our lonely route,
  O'er the dreary waste of snow.
- "I had been to the 'clearing' that afternoon For powder and ball, and whiskey too; For game was plenty, furs in demand, And plenty of hunting and trapping to do.
- "I had no fear of the danger that lurked
  In the region through which my journey lay,
  Till Bet of a sudden pricked up her ears,
  And sniffed the air in a curious way.
- "I knew at once what the danger was

  As Bet struck out at a 'forty gait:

  "Twas life or death for the mare and me,

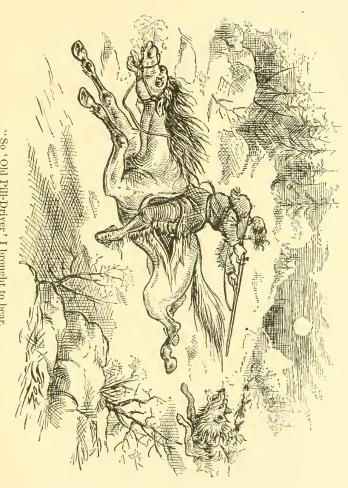
  And all I could do was to trust to fate.

- "Wolves on our track, ten miles from home!

  A pleasant prospect that,—eh, boys?

  I could see them skulking among the trees,

  And the woods re-echoed their hideous noise.
- "At last, as their numbers began to swell,
  They bolder grew, and pressed us close:
  So 'Old Pill-Driver' I brought to bear,
  And gave the leader a leaden dose.
- "Now, you must know, if you draw the blood
  On one of the sneaking, ravenous crew,
  The rest will turn on the double-quick,
  And eat him up without more ado.
- "This gave me a chance to load my gun,
  With just a moment to breathe and rest;
  When on they came! a-gaining fast,
  Though Bet was doing her level best.



"So 'Old Pill-Driver' I brought to bear,
And gave the leader a leaden dose,"—PAGE 130.



- "I began to think it was getting hot.
  'Pill-Driver,' says I, 'this will never do:
  Talk to 'em again!' You bet she did;
  And right in his tracks lay number two.
- "Well, boys, to make a long story short,

  I picked them off till but one was left;
  But he was a whopper, you'd better believe,—

  A reg'lar mammoth in size and heft.
- "Yes, he was the last of the savage pack;
  For, as they had followed the natral law,
  They had eaten each other as fast as they fell,
  Till all were condensed in his spacious maw."



JOHNNY JUDKINS was a vender
Of a patent liquid blacking:
Johnny Judkins he was witty,
And for "cheek" he was not lacking.

Johnny stood upon the corner,
Selling polish day by day,
And would "polish off" a party
Who had any thing to say.

Johnny's stereotyped expression
Was, "Now, gents, at the beginnin'
I would state this magic polish
Will not soil the finest linen."

Johnny then its other virtues
Rapidly would mention o'er,
And would sell his gaping hearers
From a dozen to a score.

Hans von Puffer bought a bottle,Which upon his shirt-front white,As he used it without caution,Left a spot as black as night.

Back to Johnny went Von Puffer,
Saying, "Vot vas dot you zay?
"Tvill not soil der vinest linen?
See mine shirt-vrond righdt avay!

"Vot vas dot ubon mine bosom?

Von't you dold me, ef you blease!

Shust you gife me pack mine money,

Or I goes vor der boleese!"

Johnny looked upon the Deutscher
With a bland and childlike smile;
Then upon the crowd before him,
Who enjoyed the sport meanwhile.

"Gentlemen," says Johnny Judkins,
"As I said in the beginnin',
This 'ere patent liquid polish
Will not soil the finest linen.

"As for that," says Johnny Judkins,—
Pointing where the spot of crock
Showed upon Von Puffer's bosom
Like a black sheep in a flock,—



"Vot vas dot ubon mine bosom?
Von't you dold me, ef you blease!" — Page 136.



"As for that," repeated Johnny,
"If you call that linen fine,
I would merely say, my hearers,
Your opinion is not mine."

Johnny Judkins still continues

Selling blacking by the ton.

Hans von Puffer chalks that bosom

Every time he puts it on.



### THE LOST PET.

On, list! while I tell
Of the fate that befell
A pet that was dear unto me,—
A black-and-tan pup.
Oh! bitter the cup
Prepared by that "Heathen Chinee"
For me,
The friend of those venders of tea.

#### THE LOST PET.

This young black-and-tan

Away from me ran,—

An act which I did not foresee;

And, though I did seek

For over a week

To find him, it was not to be.

You'll see,

'Twas the work of that sinful Chinee.

His name was Ah-Bet,

(Not the name of my pet,

But of him of Chinese pedigree;)

And he kept a small shop,

And had the best "chop"

Of tit-bits from over the sea,

That he

Obtained from his far-famed patrie.

#### THE LOST PET.

He had "chow-chow," that tickles
The lover of pickles,
Though with me it did never agree;
And things filled with spice,
Which may have been mice,—
They looked enough like them,—dear me!
To see
Such food in the "land of the free."

One day I'd a friend
Who was coming to spend
The day, and take dinner with me:
So I went to Ah-Bet,
And told him to get
A rabbit "and fixin's;" and he
Said "Oui,"
In a manner quite Frenchy to see.



"And brought to the light A tag, with inscription, 'Toby.'" — PAGE 145.



#### THE LOST PET.

The clock had struck one:

The dinner was done,

And served up with steaming Bohea.

"Tis excellent fare,

This rabbit, or hare,

Whichever it may be," said he,

(Mon ami:)

"You've a prize in that Heathen Chinee."

Just then in the dish
I noticed him fish
For something he thought he could see,
That didn't look right;
And brought to the light
A tag, with inscription, "Toby."

Ah me!

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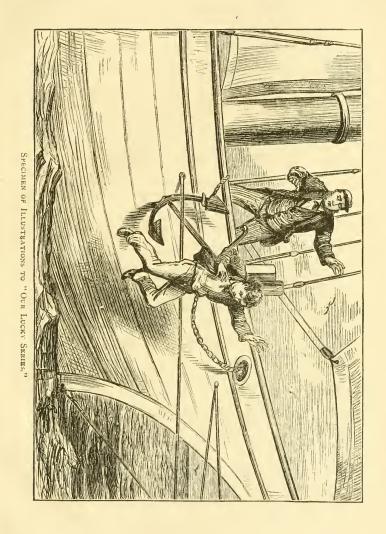
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